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copy. Twenty-five copies or more sent by  
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WHO wrote the poem, Joyce or Ella?

The Washington young lady began to  
shoot yesterday in a highly satisfactory  
manner.

MEXICAN officials must have been mo-  
weary of robbing and imprisoning Americans.  
Outrage news from that quarter  
has been very scarce of late.

The most cheering sign of the times is  
the split in the Irish vote. The republi-  
can party will get at least 50 per cent. of  
the Irish-American vote this year.

JOLLY old Mr. Butler has returned  
from his western trip. He will now de-  
vote his attention to New York. He  
looks for a great harvest of Tammany  
votes.

The chairman of the democratic na-  
tional committee is credited with having  
shipped several cargoes of mules into  
Michigan and Wisconsin. None of the  
stock bore Mr. Tilden's brand.

The first revolution in Peru that ever  
failed of success occurred last month.  
The insurgent chief attacked the city of  
Lima in the night and about 150 people  
were killed in the battle in the streets  
before he was driven out. Among the  
wounded was a son of President Iglesias.

New York papers are beginning  
what promises to be a bitter controversy  
as to whether Cleveland did or did not  
favor the Morrison bill. The able editors  
are simply wasting their time. They  
will be the last to show that he  
has no views whatever on the tariff ques-  
tion.

Mr. McPherson's correction of some  
of Chairman Post's perversions of fact at  
the late democratic powwow in this city  
will be found in another column. It is  
getting to be dangerous for democrats to  
deal with either facts or figures. Let  
them stick to their platform, in which  
they neither.

The pleasant controversy between Col.  
John A. Joyce and Mrs. Ella Wheeler  
Wilcox, involving the authorship of "Love  
and Laughter," as the colonel calls it, and  
"Soltitude," as the poetress calls it, will  
bring a charming little poem into wider  
notoriety than has yet been accorded it;  
whatever the result may be.

The heroism displayed by King Humbert  
in visiting the cholera infected quarters  
of Naples and lending his personal  
assistance to his stricken subjects will  
live in history for a thousand years. He  
has bound his people to him with bonds  
of love, respect, and unbound confidence.  
Humbert is more than a king in his  
name. He is a king among men.

The story that Candidate Belva Lock-  
wood looks like the late Mrs. Lydia  
Pinkham is a mere campaign lie. The  
story was started from the fact that some  
western country papers that wanted to  
use her name and Sardinia cut out  
the part of Sardinia and Sardinia cut out  
the part of the other part of the kingdom. Beside  
the great loss to foreign commerce it is cal-  
culated that the loss to the other part of the  
kingdom will be greater. She looks much  
more like the historic portraits of Joan of Arc,  
with this difference, she rides a tricycle  
instead of a horse.

LETTERS received from prominent re-  
publicans from North Carolina give an  
encouraging account of republican pro-  
pects in the "Old North State." Dr. York  
is making a splendid and effective cause,  
and about the only thing that clouds the  
republican horizon is the doubt as to  
whether a fair count of the votes depos-  
ited in the ballot boxes can be secured.  
Aside from this it is claimed with confi-  
dence that the republicans have now the  
best opportunity to carry the state they  
have had since 1865.

EX-SLUGGER MORSEON continues to  
make a disgusting and vulgar exhibition  
of his low prejudices against the noble  
race of coachmen. The chief element of  
his grief appears to be a contemplation of  
the last \$100,000 he spent on the infatuated  
Victoria. He evidently went in  
on the theory that the more money he  
expended in educating his daughter the  
more valuable she would be compared  
with the rest of womankind. She would  
have been just as valuable in all that  
makes a human being valuable if he had  
sent her to the great lever, a public  
school, and possibly she might have held  
herself for higher figures in the mat-  
erial market. Money cannot always  
buy good sense.

Vindicated by His Enemies.  
In the protection of their so-called  
"honor," Meers, Warren Fisher, and  
James Mulligan have given to the press  
another lot of letters, comprising a portion  
of the correspondence that passed  
between Messrs. Fisher and Caldwell on  
the one side and Mr. Blaine on the other  
relative to a deal in Little Rock and Fort  
Smith railroad bonds. The letters are  
published with malicious intent, but  
instead of doing Mr. Blaine an injury  
they will go far toward proving his  
innocence of the charge of harboring his  
official honor for dishonest gain.

A thousand changes have been rung on  
the charge that he corruptly used his  
position as a representative in congress  
and as speaker of the house for the ad-  
vancement of his personal fortune, thereby  
proving false to the high trust reposed in  
him by the people.

The last letters carry on their face the  
writer's vindication. They are right in  
the line of Mr. Blaine's defense. There  
is not a sentence in them that Mr. Blaine  
could object to having published to the  
whole world. They prove him to have  
been engaged in a purely business deal  
with Mr. Warren Fisher, Jr., and his  
friend, Mr. Caldwell, in Little Rock and  
Fort Smith railroad bonds, disassociated  
entirely from his political position. There

is not a word in Mr. Blaine's published  
letters to Mr. Fisher going to show the  
contemplation or commission of an official  
impropriety, and there is not the slightest  
breath of a suggestion in Mr. Fisher's  
letter to Mr. Blaine that anything of the  
sort was expected or thought of.

The contract between Messrs. Blaine  
and Fisher was of the most specific na-  
ture. The latter was to pay the former a  
commission for "placing" a stipulated  
amount of bonds, the commission to be in  
money and bonds. By industries "rushing,"  
to use a pat westernism, Mr. Blaine  
managed to place the bonds. Mr. Cald-  
well, who appears to have been in the  
enjoyment of exceedingly intimate rela-  
tions with Mr. Fisher, enclaved Mr.  
Blaine out of his cash commission by  
representing that the amount would be made  
good by Mr. Fisher. Between them,  
Messrs. Fisher and Caldwell kept Mr.  
Blaine in the anxious suspense for  
a long time, and it does not appear from the correspondence that he was able to get a complete settle-  
ment out of them for two or three years.  
Mr. Blaine wrote to them repeatedly for  
settlements in full or in part on his  
contract, but he was put off month after  
month with one excuse and another. Indeed there is nothing in the correspondence to show that a full settlement  
was ever reached. Mr. Blaine claiming  
that further pay was due him as commis-  
sion, and Mr. Fisher claiming that Mr.  
Blaine was in his debt for money loaned.

In the settlement of a dispute over a  
private business contract between Mr.  
Blaine and Mr. Fisher the public can  
only have a passing interest. That the  
celebrated Mulligan correspondence and  
the letters published yesterday, which  
are a part and parcel of the same corre-  
spondence, relate solely to a legitimate  
business transaction there can no longer  
be the slightest shadow of a doubt. The  
last letters illuminate that part of the  
correspondence originally given out by  
Mr. Blaine, and make plain the meaning  
of certain phrases which have been distor-  
ted and misconstrued to his discredit.

In the bright light thrown upon this  
whole business by the letters last pub-  
lished the infamy of Mr. Blaine's enemies  
stands out clearly in its hideous malignity.

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